


REMARKS

On pages 2-3 of the Office action, the Applicant is required to elect one of two groups of claims for further prosecution in the present application. The Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I (claims 39-41, 43, 44, 46-49, 51, 52, and 54-63) for further prosecution in the present application. The Applicant notes that the Group II claims are indicated by the Examiner to be claims 73-88, although it appears that these claims should instead be claims 76-88 (claims 73-75 are apparatus claims that were withdrawn in response to an earlier Office action).

Early, favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if he believes it would be helpful.

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